WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 4697

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served November 14, 1995

Investigation of Unauthorized)
Operations of ALL-STAR PRESIDENTIAL,)
LLC, and PRESIDENTIAL COACH CO. and)
Affiliation with PRESIDENTIAL)
LIMOUSINE SERVICE, INC., WMATC)
No. 148

Case No. MP-95-82

On November 1, 1994, Baron Transportation, Inc., filed Contract Tariff CT-2B, requiring Baron to shuttle personnel of the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, between Washington, DC, and Arlington, VA. That tariff expired September 30, 1995.

On September 11, 1995, the Forest Service awarded a shuttle bus contract to All-Star Presidential, LLC, and Presidential Coach Co., which according to the notice of award are located at the same address as Presidential Limousine Service, Inc., WMATC No. 148. Neither All-Star Presidential nor Presidential Coach holds authority from this Commission.

It thus appears that uncertificated carriers may be providing shuttle bus service to the Forest Service in violation of the Compact and that the persons controlling those carriers may be aware of the unlawful nature of such operations by virtue of their association with Presidential Limousine Service.

Under Title II of the Compact, Article XIII, Section 1(c), the Commission may investigate a carrier on its own motion to determine whether a carrier has violated the Compact, and Section 1(e) provides:

For the purpose of an investigation or other proceeding under this Act, the Commission may administer oaths and affirmations, subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance, take evidence, and require the production of books, papers, correspondence, memoranda, contracts, agreements, or other records or evidence which the Commission considers relevant to the inquiry.

Under Article XIII, Section 6, a person who knowingly and willfully violates a provision of the Compact, or a rule, regulation, requirement, or order issued under it, shall be subject to a civil forfeiture of not more than \$1,000 for the first violation and not more than \$5,000 for any subsequent violation; each day of the violation constitutes a separate violation.

Accordingly, we shall require respondents to produce any and all records in their possession, custody or control relating to the Forest Service shuttle bus contract awarded on September 11, 1995. We also shall require that each respondent file a current list of officers, directors and shareholders.

In the meantime, All-Star Presidential and Presidential Coach are admonished not to perform any transportation in the Metropolitan District which requires a certificate of authority.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That respondents are hereby directed to produce any and all records in their possession, custody or control relating to the Forest Service shuttle bus contract awarded on September 11, 1995.
- 2. That each respondent is hereby directed to file a current list of officers, directors and shareholders.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS ALEXANDER, LIGON, AND SHANNON:

William H. McGilvery Executive Director